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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants : Stracke, M. et al.

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of Serial No. : 08/977,221

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For : AUTOTAXIN: MOTILITY STIMULATING PROTEIN  
USEFUL IN CANCER DIAGNOSIS AND THERAPY



**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination and calculation of the filing fee, please amend the  
application as follows.

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please cancel claims 1-19 and add the following new claims:

Sub B1 20. An isolated polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence of human  
autotaxin, wherein said polypeptide thereof has cell motility activity.

21. The polypeptide of claim 20, wherein said polypeptide is a fragment  
thereof having at least 5 amino acids.

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